dates of commissioning are indicated in Annex-I. *(See* Appendix 189, Anneon-e No. 100).

Construction of power generation projects.

14062. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA :
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of poweE generation projects are; under construction in the country;

(b) if so. the number of these prefects at the endiof Decembec; 1999?.

(c) the number of such projects which; are running five years behind their original time schedule, and

(d) the generation capacity of these projects together with the amount incurred on their construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTl MEHTA; (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. 24 on going and TEC cleared thermal power projects of an aggregate capacity of 10962.59 MW and 61 sanctioned hydro-elecric power projects with a total capacity of 15124.95 MW were under construction in the country as on 31st December, 1999.

(c) and (d) 3 thermal power projects and 34 hydro-electric power projects under construction have been delayed by five years or more and details alongwith expenditure incurred in respect of these projects are given in Annex. *{See* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 101).

Shortage of Power due to pitiable condition of SEBs

†4063. DR. D. MASTHAN :
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH ;

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the shortage of power in the country is due to the pitiable financial condition of the State Electricity Boards;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.